Docket No.: 43889-951 PATENT

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Koji ERIGUCHI, et al.

Serial No.:

(Divisional of Serial No. 08/965,892)

Group Art Unit:

Filed: July 05, 2000

Examiner:

For:

APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR OPTICAL EVALUATION, APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE, METHOD OF CONTROLLING APPARATUS FOR MANUFACTURING SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE, AND SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-referenced application, please amend the application as

follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 21, line 21, please change "he" to --the--.

Page 80, line 13, please delete "513".

Page 89, line 7, please change "filter 523" to --filter 525--.

Page 94, line 8, please change "reaction vessel 607" to --reaction vessel 617--.

Page 94, line 13, please change "reaction vessel 607" to --reaction vessel 617--.

Page 94, line 16, please change "reaction vessel 607" to --reaction vessel 617--.

Page 95, line 2, please change "reaction vessel 607" to --reaction vessel 617--.

Page 95, line 4, please change "reaction vessel 607" to --reaction vessel 617--.

Page 25, line 6, please change "reaction vessel 607" to --reaction vessel 617--.

Page 104, line 19, please change "Fig. 9" to --Fig. 11--.

Page 113, line 12, please change "Fig. 9" to --Fig. 11--.

## **REMARKS**

This preliminary amendment is necessary to incorporate the preliminary amendments as filed in parent application Serial No. 08/965,892. Entry of this preliminary amendment is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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